



## **Employer contribution rates set**

Employers should have received a letter from PERF announcing fiscal year 2009 contribution rates. These rates, set annually by PERF's board of trustees, are effective Jan. 1, 2009, for political subdivisions such as cities and towns, and July 1, 2008, for the State of Indiana, including state agencies and universities. Rates set last year for political subdivisions went into effect Jan. 1, 2008. For questions, contact PERF toll-free at 888-526-1687.

## Funded status shows Indiana PERF in excellent financial shape

Buoyed by solid investment returns in the 2007 fiscal year, PERF reached a funded status of 99.8 percent at the July 1, 2007, start of the fund's 2008 fiscal year. Read more.

# First-ever *Employer Handbook* now available on PERF Online

PERF's first-ever *Employer Handbook* is now available on PERF Online after months of development and much employer input. The new document provides employers information on interacting with the plan as well as links to Indiana laws and administrative codes that govern PERF. "For years, employers have asked PERF for a handbook to guide them in their interaction with the fund," said PERF Executive Director Terren Magid. "This new handbook reflects extensive customer input and we'll continue to gather suggestions with the help of a <u>satisfaction survey</u>."

- To view or download the handbook, click **HERE**.
- To complete a survey to help us improve the handbook, click HERE.

#### Indiana PERF releases 2007 annual report

PERF has released its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007. The report reflects the second year PERF has achieved an unqualified financial opinion from the Indiana State Board of Accounts since new management initiated a turn-around of the system in 2005. To view PERF's 2007 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, click HERE.

# Pre-Retirement Workshops help employees' navigate process

PERF continues to mail out Pre-Retirement Workshop mailers to those who may be within 18 months of retirement. This mailer allows members to sign up to learn about the retirement process. To download additional copies of this mailer, click <u>HERE</u>. For a full list of workshops, or to help an employee register to attend a workshop, click <u>HERE</u>. Members may also call us at (888) 526-1687 if they have any questions or need help signing up for a workshop.

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